

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims:

108. (New) The method of claim 90, wherein D is a bond.

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109. (New) The method of claim 90, wherein R₃ is not cyano.

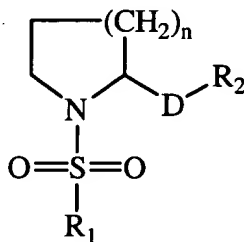
110. (New) The method of claim 99, wherein D is a bond.

111. (New) The method of claim 99, wherein R₃ is not cyano.

Please amend the claims as follows:

90. (Amended) A method of treating a neurological disorder in an animal,
comprising:

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administering to the animal an effective amount of a compound to stimulate growth of
damaged peripheral nerves or to promote neuronal regeneration, wherein the compound has
the formula (I):



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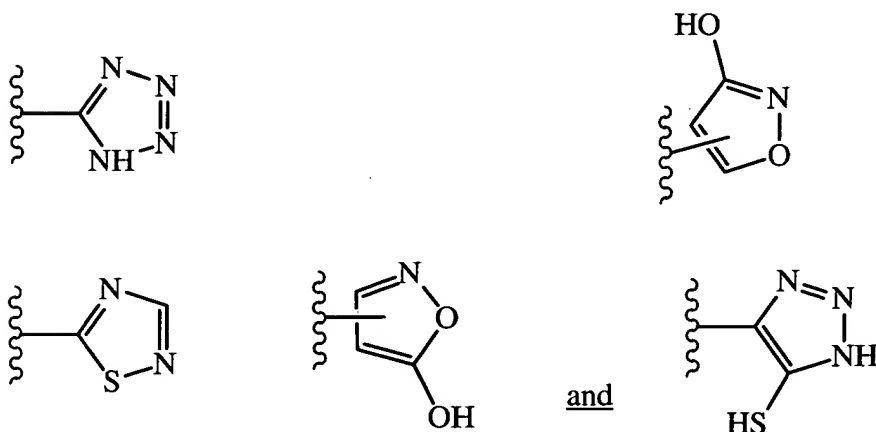
where

n is 1;

R₁ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₉ straight or branched chain alkyl, C₂-C₉ straight or branched chain alkenyl, aryl, heteroaryl, carbocycle, and heterocycle;

D is selected from the group consisting of a bond, C₁-C₁₀ straight or branched chain alkylene, C₂-C₁₀ alkenylene, and C₂-C₁₀ alkynylene;

R₂ is a carboxylic acid isostere selected from the group consisting of:

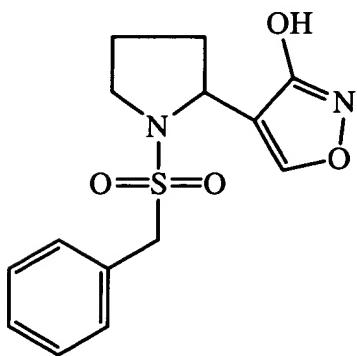
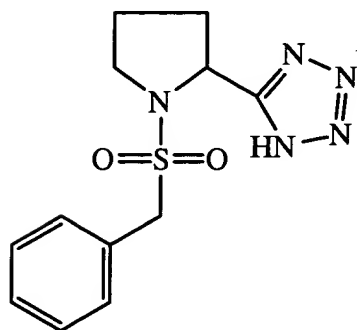


wherein said alkyl, alkenyl, alkylene, alkenylene, alkynylene, aryl, heteroaryl, carbocycle, heterocycle, or carboxylic acid isostere is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R₃, where

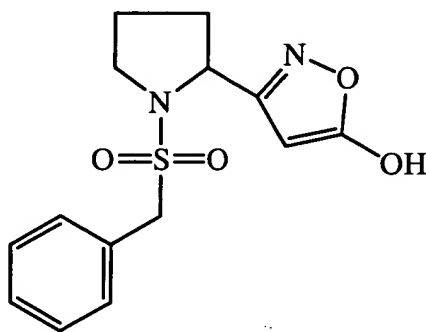
R₃ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, haloalkyl, thiocarbonyl, alkoxy, alkenoxy, alkylaryloxy, aryloxy, arylalkyloxy, cyano, nitro, imino, alkylamino, aminoalkyl, sufhydryl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, sulfonyl, C₁-C₆ straight or branched chain alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight or branched chain alkenyl or alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, carbocycle, heterocycle, and CO₂R₄ where R₄ is selected from the

group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₉ straight or branched chain alkyl, and C₂-C₉ straight or branched chain alkenyl;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

96. (Amended) The method of claim 90, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

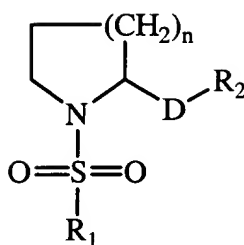


; and



99. (Amended) A method of treating a neurological disorder in an animal, comprising:

administering to the animal an effective amount of a compound to stimulate growth of damaged peripheral nerves or to promote neuronal regeneration, wherein the compound has the formula (I):



where

n is 1;

R₁ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₉ straight or branched chain alkyl, C₂-C₉ straight or branched chain alkenyl, aryl, heteroaryl, carbocycle, and heterocycle;

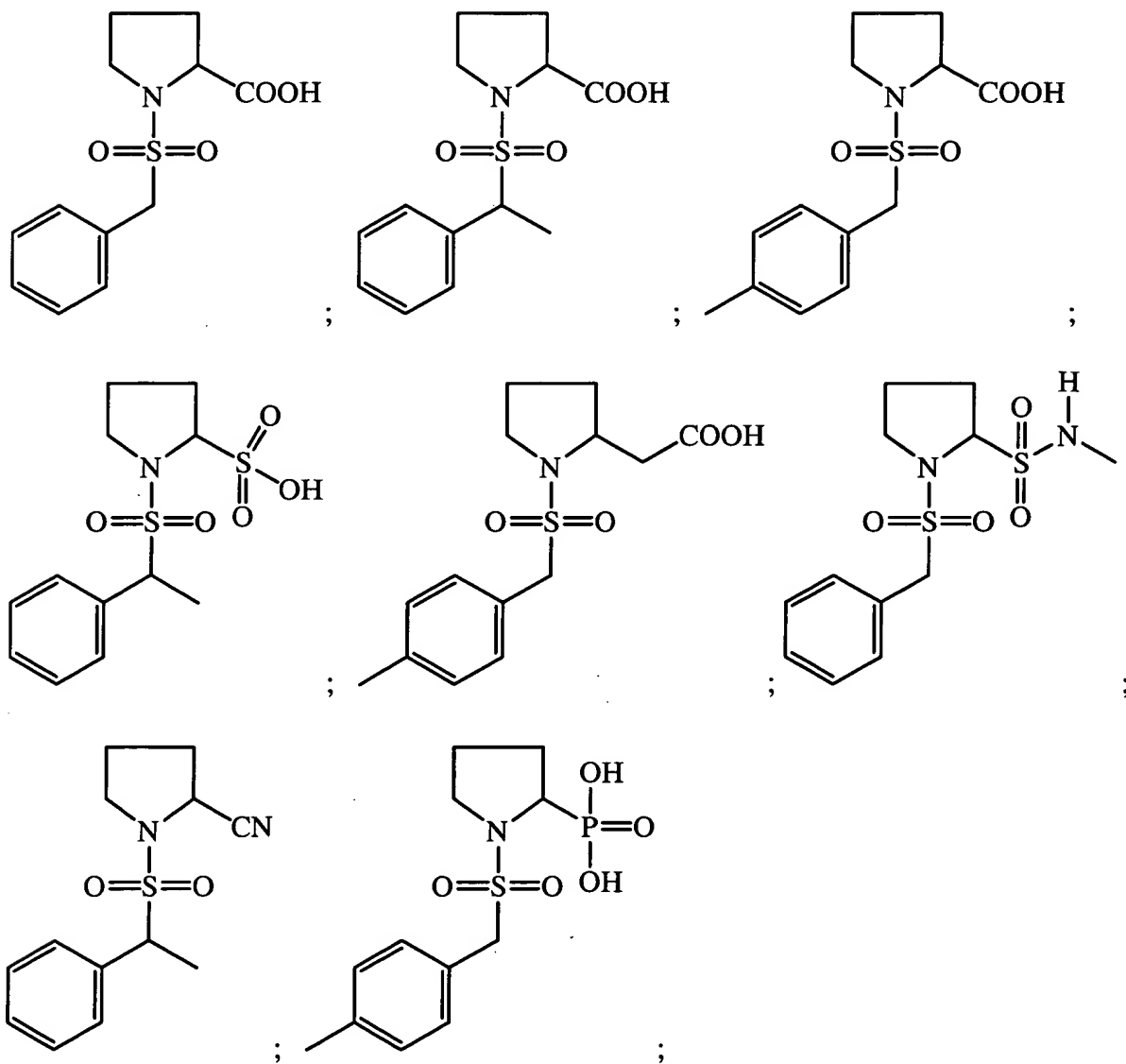
D is selected from the group consisting of a bond, C₁-C₁₀ straight or branched chain alkylene, C₂-C₁₀ alkenylene, and C₂-C₁₀ alkynylene;

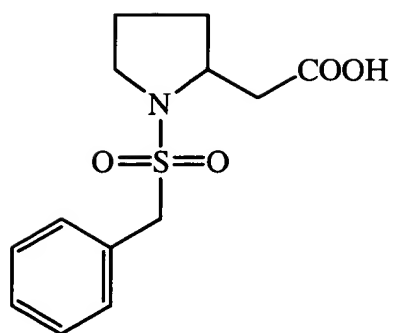
R₂ is a carboxylic acid or carboxylic acid isostere selected from the group consisting of: -COOH, -SO₃H, -SO₂HNR₃, -PO₂H, -CN, -PO(OH)(OR₃), -C(O)NHOH, -C(O)NHOSO₂R₃, and -CONHCN; wherein said alkyl, alkenyl, alkylene, alkenylene, alkynylene, aryl, heteroaryl, carbocycle, heterocycle, or carboxylic acid isostere is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from R₃, where

R₃ is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, haloalkyl, thiocarbonyl, alkoxy, alkenoxy, alkylaryloxy, aryloxy, arylalkyloxy, cyano, nitro, imino, alkylamino, aminoalkyl, sulfhydryl, thioalkyl, alkylthio, sulfonyl, C₁-C₆ straight or branched chain alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight or branched chain alkenyl or alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, carbocycle, heterocycle, and CO₂R₄ where R₄ is selected from the

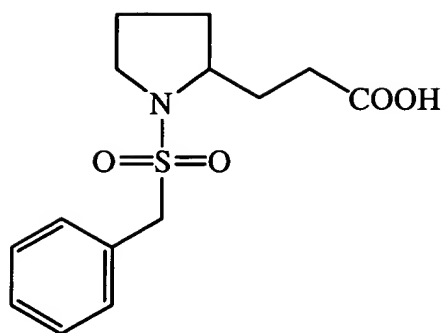
group consisting of hydrogen, C₁-C₉ straight or branched chain alkyl, and C₂-C₉ straight or branched chain alkenyl;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

105. (Amended) The method of claim 99, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

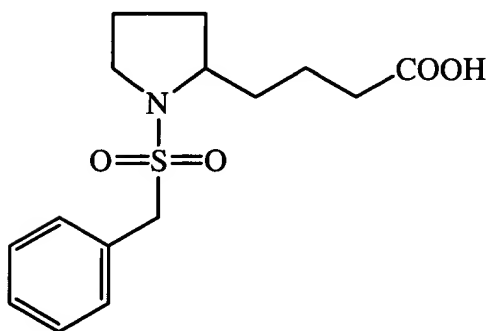




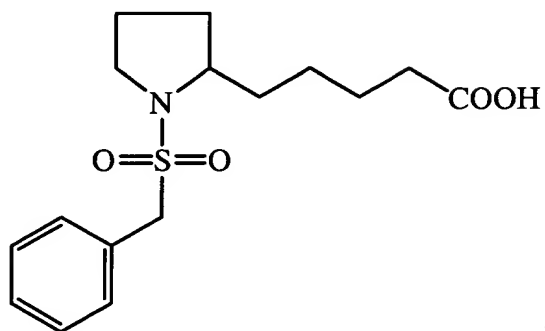
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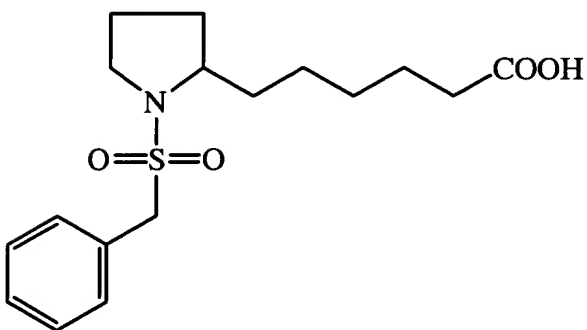
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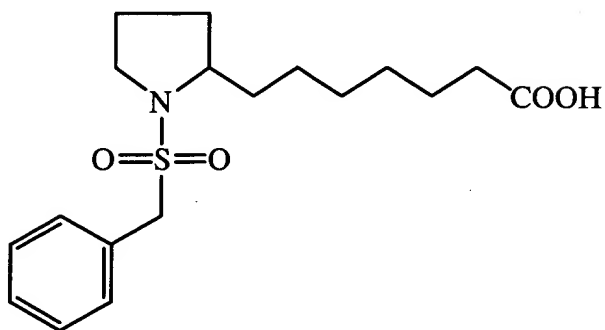
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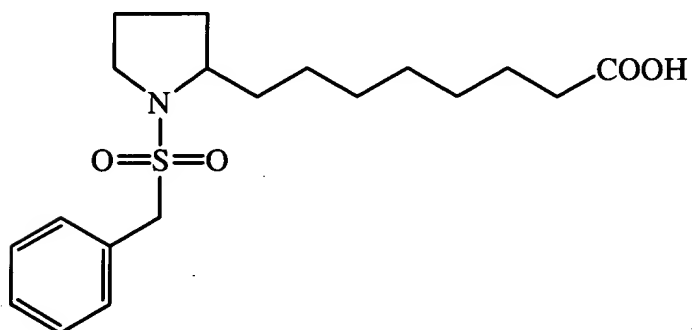
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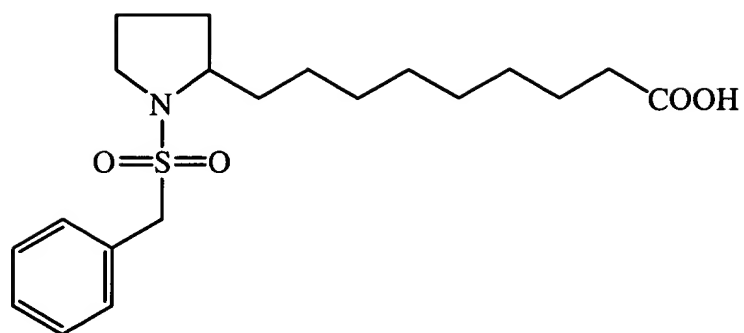
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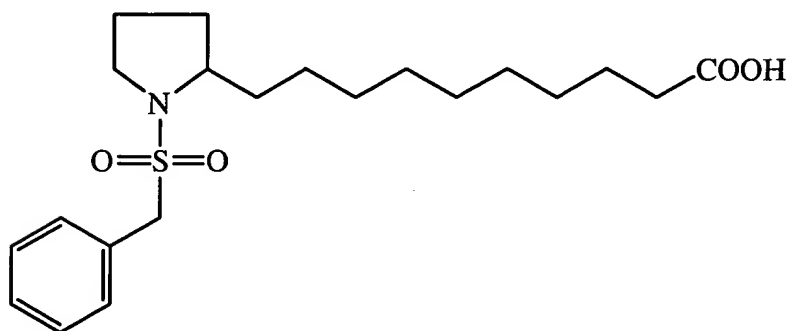
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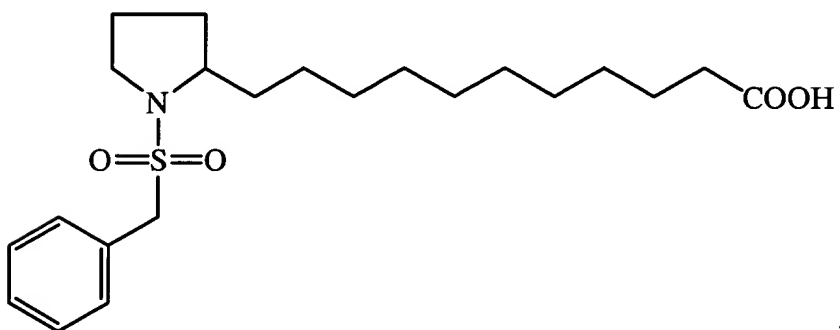
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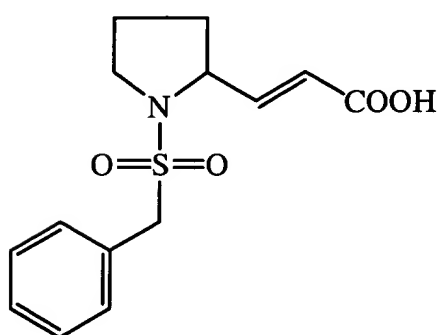
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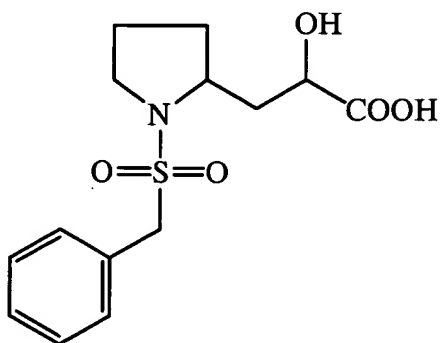
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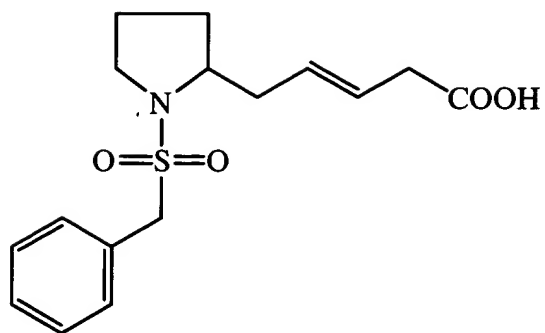
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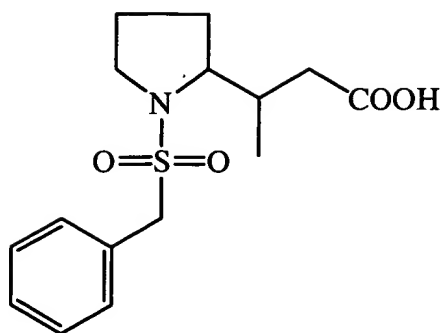
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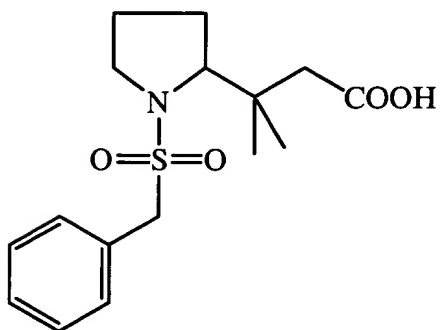
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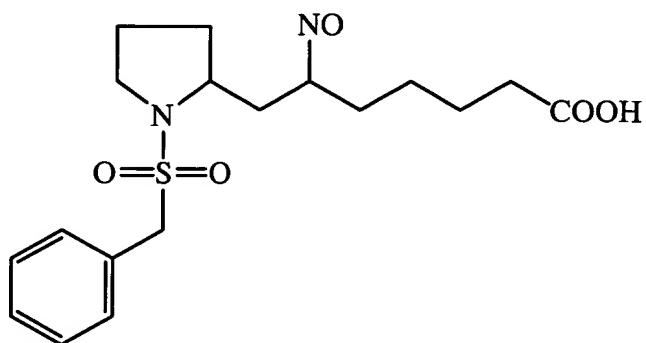
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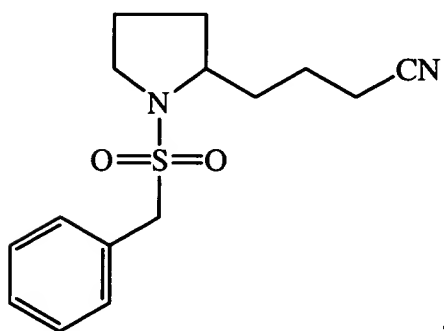
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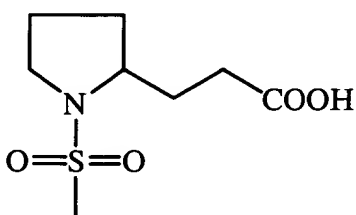
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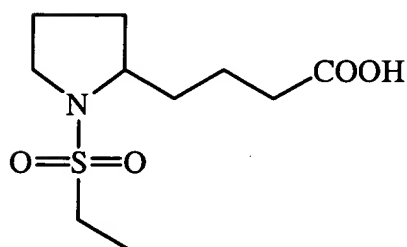
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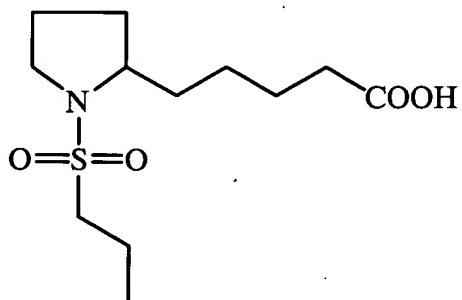
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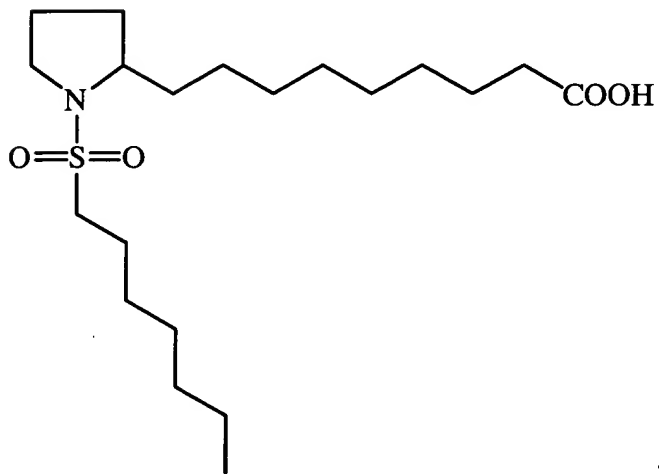
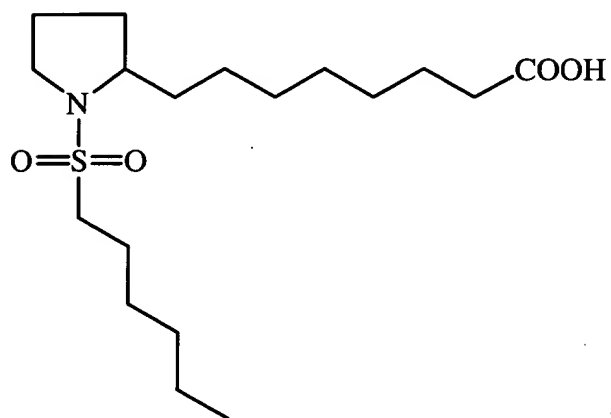
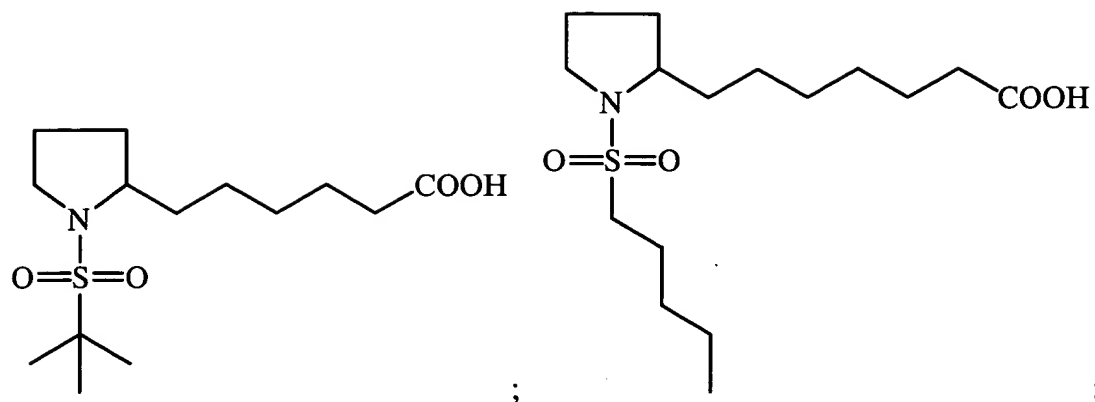
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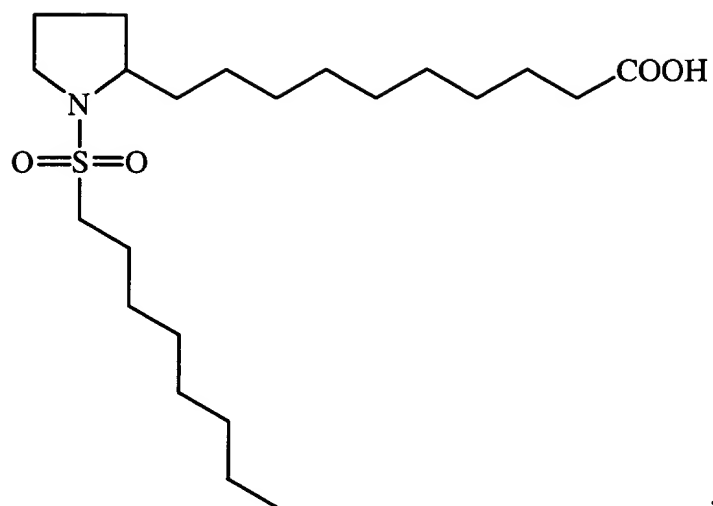


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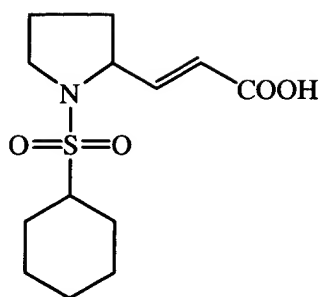
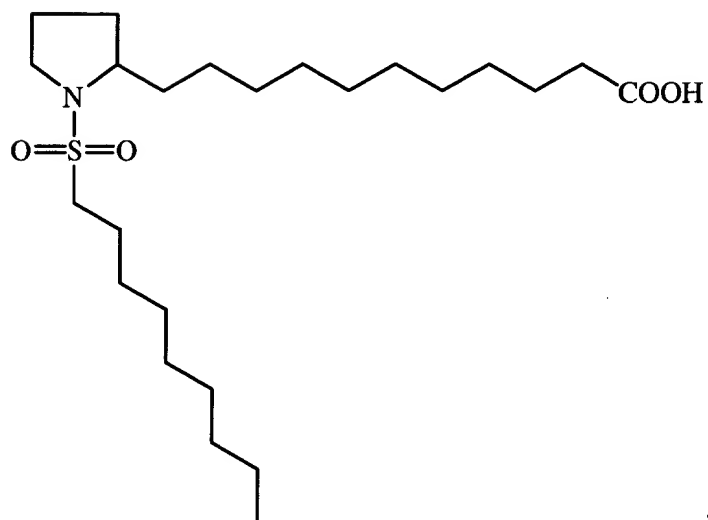


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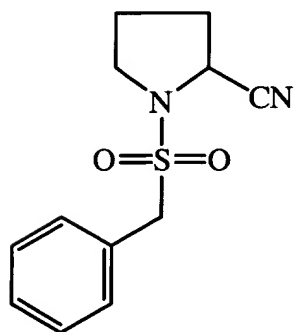


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